REMARKS

Claims 1-16 are pending.

Claims 1-16 are subject to a restriction requirement.

Claims 9-16 have been cancelled without prejudice.

Claims 1-8 are presented herein for further consideration.

In the Office Action, the Examiner has identified two patentably distinct inventions in the pending claims. Group I, namely claims 1-8, are directed to a metal high temperature superconductor composite, classified in class 505, subclass 239; and Group II, namely claims 9-16, are directed to a method for bonding a ceramic high temperature superconductor to a metal support, classified in class 29, subclass 599.

In response, Applicants select to continue prosecution on claims 1-8 in Group 1. Claims 9-16 have been cancelled without prejudice. Applicants reserve the right to prosecute claims 9-16 in divisional application filed any time prior to the issue of this application.

In view of the forgoing, Applicants respectfully submit that pending claims 1-8 are in condition for allowance, the earliest possible notice of which is earnestly solicited. If the Examiner feels that an interview would facilitate the prosecution of this Application he is invited to contact the undersigned at the number listed below.

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